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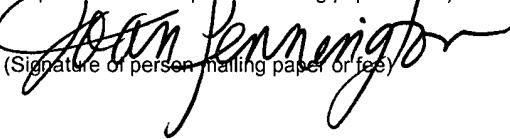
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DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
YERSHOV et al.- ANL-IN-01-052b

Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional patent application under 37 C.F.R. 1.52(b) of prior application Serial No. 10/139,842 filed on May 6, 2002, (Examiner for prior application - Jeffrey R. Snay; Group Art Unit - 1743) of YERSHOV et al. for Letters Patent for BIOCHIP READER WITH ENHANCED ILLUMINATION AND BIOARRAY POSITIONING APPARATUS (Case ANL-IN-01-052b), by the following named inventors:

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The above named inventors are the same as named in the above-identified prior application. This new application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application. Enclosed is a copy of the original above-identified prior application including the specification, a set of 24 claims and one copy of the drawings (7 sheets). Also enclosed is a copy of a response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures (copy enclosed) mailed November 19, 2002, together herewith an enclosed diskette containing an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of a Sequence Listing, and an initial paper of the Sequence Listing. The enclosed Sequence Listing contains data, as included in Tables 2 and 3 at pages 14-16 of the subject originally filed application.

A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

The Assignee THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO is entitled to and claims Small Entity Status. The Small Entity filing fee is calculated below:

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Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:

--This application is a divisional application of Serial No. 10/139,842 filed on May 6, 2002.--

The prior application is assigned of record to THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO. A copy of the assignment is enclosed.

The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:

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The Power appears in the original papers in the prior application. A copy of the Power in the prior application is enclosed.

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